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A JOINT MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THE CULTURAL AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT TO STUDY THE  
FEASIBILITY OF DESIGNATING THE TUCUMCARI RAILROAD DEPOT AS THE  
STATE RAILROAD MUSEUM.

WHEREAS, the Tucumcari railroad depot was built in 1926  
and is the only original Spanish architecture railroad depot in  
New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, the city of Tucumcari has approved the use of  
state economic development funds for restoring the railroad  
depot; and

WHEREAS, the Tucumcari main street board has designed  
long-term plans that include the restored railroad depot as the  
central feature of a revitalized downtown commercial district;  
and

WHEREAS, Tucumcari and Quay county have a long history of  
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1 railroad activity, stretching back to the days when Tucumcari  
2 was known as "Six Shooter Siding"; and

3 WHEREAS, the contributions of the Southern Pacific and  
4 Union Pacific railroads are not highlighted in any other museum  
5 in New Mexico;

6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE  
7 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the cultural affairs department be  
8 requested to study the feasibility of designating the Tucumcari  
9 railroad depot as the state railroad museum; and

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be  
11 transmitted to the office of the governor and the secretary of  
12 cultural affairs.